



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q78361

Chandralata RAGHUKUMAR, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/701,556

Group Art Unit: 1651

Confirmation No.: 8327

Examiner: Irene Mark

Filed: November 6, 2003

For: A PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF LOW TEMPERATURE ACTIVE ALKALINE  
PROTEASE FROM A DEEP-SEA FUNGUS

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2006, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

**REMARKS**

In response to the Restriction Requirement Applicant has elected Group III (claims 16-21) drawn to a process of making a protease, classified in class 435, subclass 71.1) for examination in the above-application.

Applicant reserves all rights under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to file a divisional application to the non-elected groups of claims.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.